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Montana Health Care Programs Notice

Pharmacy Providers

Dispensing Fee Increase and the Addition of a Vaccine Administration Fee

Effective July 1, 2013, the dispensing fee for preferred brand name and generic drugs and generic drugs not identified on the Preferred Drug List will increase to \$6.52 from \$6.40. The dispensing fee for non-preferred and brand name drugs, the minimum dispensing fee, and the out-of-state dispensing fee will remain unchanged.

Effective July 1, 2013, there will be a vaccine administration fee for pharmacists. This fee is in lieu of the standard dispensing fee. The fee for the first vaccine administered will be \$21.32, and the fee for each additional vaccine administered will be \$13.38.

Please be aware that this change will not be implemented by July 1 because the Department is currently working on the programming. The procedure for billing the pharmacy vaccine administration fee and the new payer specification sheet will be provided as soon as the information is available. Regardless of the implementation date, the vaccine administration fee is effective on July 1, 2013. Claims filed prior to the programming being completed can be adjusted to include the fee.

Contact Information

If you have any questions in regard to the dispensing fee increase, please contact Katie Hawkins at 406-444-2738 or khawkins@mt.gov.

If you have any questions in regard to the vaccine administration fee, please contact Dave Campana, RPh, at 406-444-5951 or dcampana@mt.gov.

For claims questions or additional information, contact Provider Relations at 1-800-624-3958 (toll-free, in/out of state) or 406-442-1837 (Helena) or via e-mail at MTPRHelpdesk@xerox.com.

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